### Leaving a Legacy

Many individuals are choosing to leave a permanent legacy for the charity of their choice. If the Somerville Council on Aging has made an impact on your life or the life of a loved one, please consider remembering the Somerville Council on Aging in your longterm estate planning. Individuals have different needs and abilities to give, so it's suggested you contact your financial advisor about planned giving that would include the Somerville COA.



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### **Cross Street Hosts Successful Multicultural Day**

On Wednesday, December 17th, an enthusiastic group of guests gathered at the Cross Street Center in East Somerville. They were able to globe-trot without leaving Somerville! Thanks to volunteer exhibitors Emily Bhargava, local artist from Connection Lab, Aida Corredor, Van Hardy, , Zahra Raini, and SomerViva. The participants in the Cross Street English Conversation program also wrote about their life and experiences and



shared them in booklets available on each table. All of these individuals and groups helped those in attendance learn more about cultures and customs around the world. A diverse menu that featured food from several area restaurants was delicious! Big hugs to Danny McLaughlin and the Teen Empowerment kids who helped with set up and made some new Council on Aging friends. We always have a great time when we collaborate with them! If you are interested in learning more about activities like this one, be sure to contact Janine.

### Yoga Will Be Back!



Starting Thursday January 22nd!

Join us on Thursday mornings

from 9:00 to 9:45am

### A Good Way to start the Day!

This is a class for all levels.

For more information and to sign-up, contact Chris Kowaleski.

### **THANK YOU!**

We must always remember that all that we do depends so much upon our *dedicated volunteers* all year long.

At this time of year, we really need to thank Alice McDonnell and Marie Linscott. Our very successful Annual Bazaar couldn't have happened with out their help.

### WELCOME!

### **Message from the Mayor**

### **Contacts & Information**

Happy New Year to one and all!

What a year it has been! I have to say that the "Year in Review" issue of this newsletter has always been one of my favorites. It's such a great reminder to all about the amount and variety of programming the COA does every day throughout the year.

It was great to see the number of events with a focus on wellness. Add to that the cultural, educational, and social programming---as well as the number of new collaborations with other agencies---and it's easy to see why Somerville's older adults stay so busy.

No doubt it was a terrific year. Just a glance inside this newsletter and I can tell that the programs will keep on coming and the energy and enthusiasm will continue to grow well into 2015 and beyond.

As always, I wish you health and happiness throughout the year.

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### CROSS STREET CENTER

165 Broadway • 617-625-6600, ext. 2335 Tuesday & Wednesday 9 a.m.-3 p.m.

### HOLLAND STREET CENTER

167 Holland Street ■ 617-625-6600, ext. 2300 Monday - Friday 9 a.m.-3 p.m.

### RALPH & JENNY CENTER

9 New Washington Street ■ 617-666-5223 Monday-Thursday 9 a.m.-3 p.m.



### **LGBT Events and Calendar**



Monthly Lunch – The next LGBT lunch is on Monday, January 12th at 11:30 a.m. Somerville Cambridge Elder Services will provide a hot or cold lunch – suggested contribution of \$2.00 – RSVP required no later than 2:30 P.M. Thursday, January 8th. This event happens the 2<sup>nd</sup> Monday of every month excluding City Holidays and snow emergencies.

Advisory Group — Our next Advisory Group meeting will be on Monday, January 12<sup>th</sup> at 4:30 P.M. We are looking for new members and would love to have you as part of our group. This group meets the 2<sup>nd</sup> Monday of every month excluding City Holidays and snow emergencies.

Dinner & Movie – There is no LGBT Dinner & Movie night in January because the 3<sup>rd</sup> Monday falls on a City holiday – Martin Luther King Day. This event happens the 3<sup>rd</sup> Monday of every month excluding City Holidays and snow emergencies.

\*If you require additional information please contact Maureen Bastardi at 617-625-6600 Ext. 2316 or email her at MBastardi@Somervillema.gov

LBT Women Fit-4-Life - Fitness and Nutrition Classes. Classes are Tuesday and Thursday evenings starting at 6:00 P.M. \$10 a month fee - scholarships available & it just might be covered under your insurance. We have available slots and would love to have you. If you have any questions or require additional information, contact our Health & Wellness Coordinator, Chris Kowaleski at 617-625-6600 x2300.

### 2015 Calendar

LGBT Lunch at 11:30 A.M.
LGBT Advisory Group at 4:30 P.M.
Monday

January 12th

February 9th

March 9th

April 13th

May 11th

June 8th

July 13th

August 10th

September 14th

October – Columbus Day Holiday

November 9th

December 14th

### LGBT Dinner & Movie Night at 5:30 P.M. Monday

January - MLK Day Holiday

February - President's Day Holiday

March 16th

April- Patriot's Day Holiday

May 18th - No Dinner & Movie - Atrium NOT available

June 15th

July 20th

August 17th

September 21st

October 19th

November 16th

December 21st

6 23 Brain Games (H) Book Club (H) Lunch (H) Lunch (H) Lunch (H) Lunch (H) Bingo (H) Bingo (H) Bingo (H) Bingo (H) FRIDAY 11:30 12:45 10:00 11:30 12:45 10:30 12:45 11:30 12:45 11:30 10:00 Knitting Scarves for Soldiers (RJ) 22 15  $\infty$ 10:00 Knitting Scarves for Soldiers (RJ) 11:00 Computer tutorial with Barbara 11:00 Computer tutorial with Barbara THURSDAY All Centers Closed Happy New Year! 10:00 Blood Pressure (R&J) 10:00 Blood Pressure (R&J) 10:00 Blood Pressure (H) 10:00 Current Events (H) (by appointment only) (H) (by appointment only) (H) 10:00 Current Events (H) 10:00 Current Events (H) 11:30 Lunch (H, RJ) 11:30 Lunch (H, RJ) 12:45 Bingo (RJ, H) 12:45 Bingo (H,RJ) 10:00 Cards (RJ) 10:00 Cards (RJ) 10:00 Cards (RJ) 14 10:00 English Conversation (C) | 10:00 English Conversation (C) 10:00 English Conversation (C) 10:00 English Conversation (C) | 10:00 English Conversation (C) 21 **WEDNESDAY** 1:01:00 Bowling at Flatberad 1:00 Bowling at Flatberad 11:30 Lunch (RJ, C) 11:30 Lunch (RJ, C) 11:30 Lunch (RJ, C) 12:45 Bingo (RJ) 12:45 Bingo (RJ) 12:45 Bingo (RJ) 1:00 Whist (H) 1:00 Whist (H) 20 10:00 English Conversation (C) 10:00 Scarves for Soldiers (RJ) 10:00 Scarves for Soldiers (RJ) 10:00 Scarves for Soldiers (RJ) 12:00 Computer tutorial with Norbert (by appointment only) 12:00 Computer tutorial with Norbert (by appointment only) TUESDAY 10:30 Men's Group (H) 10:30 **Low Vision** (H) 11:30 Lunch (RJ, C) 11:30 Lunch (RJ, C) 11.20 Tarit (DI C) 10:00 Cards (RJ) 10:00 Cards (RJ) 12:45 Bingo (RJ) 10:00 Cards (RJ) 12:45 Bingo (RJ) 9:30 Monthly Breakfast (H) Ŋ 11:30 LGBT Congregate Meal (H) 19 4:50 LGBT Advisory Group (H) Martin Luther King, Jr. All Centers Closed 10:30 Moonlighters (H) MONDAY Veterans (H) 10:30 Moonlighters Atlantic City 11:30 Lunch (H) Holiday 11:30 Lunch (H)

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To sign up for Council on Aging events or classes, Please call (617) 625-6600, ext. 2300. Somerville residents shall receive registration priority on all trips. Non-residents may request to be placed on a waiting list and if openings participants are not considered enrolled in a class or event list until deposit payment in full is rendered. exist on a trip, non-residents may be able to register. Proof of residency may be required. In all cases,

# WEEKLY EXERCISE CLASS SCHEDULE

Monday: Wii Bowling, Noon, Free (H); \*Fit 4 Life C, 1:00 p.m., (H)

Tuesday: Strengthening, 9:15 a.m., \$3 per class (H); Dalcroze Eurhythmics, 1:00 p.m., \$2/class(H); \*LBT Fit4Life, 6:00 p.m.

Wednesdays: \*Fit 4 Life A, 8:45 a.m./B, 9 a.m./ C, noon (H); Zumba 4 All, 5:15 p.m., \$3/class (H)

Thursdays: Strengthening, 9:30 a.m., \$3 per class (RJ); \*LBT Fit 4 Life, 6:00 p.m. (H)

Fridays: \*Fit 4 Life A, 8:45 a.m./B, 9:55 a.m.

\*All Fit 4 Life classes cost \$10/month and require pre-registration

## KEY TO ABBREVIATIONS

### Trips!





Clay Classes with Mudflat



### **Veterans**



**Parties at WHYC** 





### GHLIGHTS

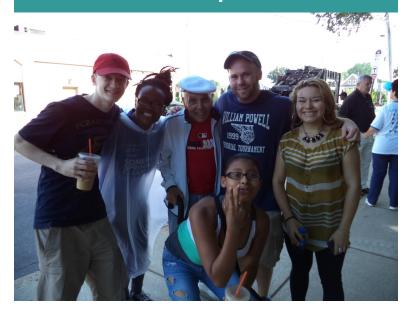
### **Aging Mastery**



**Health Fair** 



Picnic Fun with Teen Empowerment



**East Somerville Peace Quilt** 



Learning About Social Media



### **Fitness Classes**

### Strengthening with Geoff (\$3 per class/\$25 for 10 weeks)

Tuesday 9:15-10:15 a.m. *Holland Street*Thursday 10:00-11:00 a.m. *Ralph & Jenny* 

### Bowling (\$10 per week includes shoe rental and dues)

Wednesday 1:00-3:00 p.m. Flatbread/Sacco

Wii Bowling League (Free)

Monday 12:00-1245 p.m. Holland Street

Dalcroze Eurhythmics (\$2 per class)

Tuesday 1:00 p.m. Holland Street

Zumba for All (\$3 per class; \$15 for 6 classes)

Wednesday 5:15—6:15 p.m. Holland Street

Keep Moving: Everyday Exercises for Older Adults

Sun/Tues 12:30 p.m. & 7:30 p.m.

Thursday 12:30 p.m.

City TV 13 (RCN), 22 (Comcast) Educational Channel 15

### Fit-4-Life Fitness and Nutrition Program

- ◆ Open to all 55+ Wed. and Fri. mornings and Mon. and Wed. afternoons at Holland Street.
- ◆ Open to Lesbian, Bisexual, and Transgender women 55 and older Tues. and Thurs. evenings at Holland Street.

Contact Chris at (617) 625-6600, ext. 2315.

Note: If you are not able to pay for an exercise class due to financial hardship, scholarships may be available.

The COA reserves the right to cancel classes that are under-enrolled and to change dates, times and locations when necessary.

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